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A Newsletter For Kentucky Transportation Cabinet District 10 Employees

The ice storm cometh!

**Winter weather poses challenges
for District 10 employees and motorists alike**



Above, this is how KY 77 looked in the Red River Gorge area of Menifee County after the storm. Doing 35 mph would be impossible. At left, National Guard members assembled in the district office parking lot as they began to tackle the storm's aftermath.

The winter of 2009 has posed a number of problems for the District 10 employees who maintain the roads, as well as the motorists who use them.

A January ice and snow storm adversely affected our northernmost counties, causing trees and limbs to fall across snow-covered roads. Before the roads could be plowed and salted, crews had to use chainsaws to clear the fallen debris from the roads. Many of our crew members worked in adverse weather conditions while their homes were without electricity, sometimes for days.

The National Guard provided invaluable assistance, and we are grateful to them for their help.

Six of our 10 counties were declared disaster areas by newly-inaugurated President Obama, making storm cleanup eligible for reimbursement by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The Finance and Administration Cabinet issued contracts for removal of storm debris in Breathitt, Estill, Magoffin, Menifee, Morgan and Powell counties. Contractors began work Feb. 23 to remove the debris from roadsides.

We at District 10 extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who helped during this trying time of natural disaster, especially our employees who worked tirelessly to get our highways reopened for the benefit of the traveling public.

2008: A long year of goodbyes

Last year was an unprecedented one for retirements in District 10. We had 27 of our co-workers end their careers with KYTC and venture into the world of retirement, including two of the branch managers who had just been appointed to their new positions in the fall due to the district reorganization, and our chief district engineer. In addition, one branch manager (Chuck Allen) and the district's safety officer (Bob Joseph) transferred to other locations in KYTC.

Those who chose to retire last year include:

Tim Adams, chief district engineer, Dec. 31

Sue Allen, administrative specialist, July 31

Jackie Bishop, HEO IV, July 31

John Blair, HEO IV, July 31

Tony Bowling, branch manager, Dec. 31

David Burton, HEO IV, March 31

Curtis Campbell, auto/truck tech IV, July 31

Vicki Campbell, administrative specialist, July 31

Bryan Combs, maintenance engineer, July 31

Doyle Combs, HEO III, May 31

David Cornett, maintenance engineer/agronomist, July 31

Bonnie Dunahoo, administrative specialist, April 30

Richard Hollon, superintendent II, May 31

Darrell Howard, HEO I, April 30

Henry Howard, HEO I, April 30

Steve Lanham, tech II, Dec. 31

Danny Lovins, HEO I, April 30

Jim Maggard, section supervisor, July 31

John Scott McClain, facilities coordinator, July 31

Paul Pence, tech III, July 31

Mike Rogers, tech III, July 31

Ronnie Spencer, utilities supervisor/tech III, July 31

Darren Stamper, branch manager, Dec. 31

Mary "Mimi" Tucker, administrative specialist, April 30

Vivian Wisecup, fiscal officer, July 31

Rod Wells, tech III, Dec. 31

Laymen B. Williams, tech III, July 31

Our best wishes for a happy, healthy and rewarding retirement go out to all of these friends and former co-workers as they embark on their new life journeys!

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UNBRIDLED SPIRIT

New D-10 CDE, three new branch managers named

In February, three new branch managers were named to replace two retirees and one transferee.

This after a new chief district engineer was named to replace outgoing CDE Tim Adams, who retired at the end of 2008.

Willie Griffith Jr. was selected manager of the Project Delivery and Preservation Branch I, which covers Breathitt, Lee, Owsley, Perry and Wolfe counties.

He had recently rejoined District 10 as an engineer, after a brief departure for private sector work.

He replaced Darren Stamper, who also retired in December.

Crystal Mapel was selected manager of the Project Delivery and Preservation Branch II, which covers Estill, Magoffin, Menifee, Morgan and Powell counties.

She had been serving as supervisor of the Design Section in the Project Development Branch, and previously had been the resident engineer in the Jackson construction office.

She replaced Tony Bowling, who retired in December.

Bob Dungan was named manager of the Engineering Support Branch. This branch covers areas such as permits, traffic, materials, equipment and other matters critical to day-to-day operations of District 10.

He had been serving as supervisor of the Planning Section and had previously served as the district's structural engineer.

He replaced Chuck Allen, who transferred to Frankfort.

In January, District 10 welcomed Mark Westfall as acting chief district engineer. The "acting" designation was removed from his title on March 1. Westfall came to Jackson from District 12, where he was the supervisor of the Pikeville Section and was responsible for construction and maintenance activities in Pike County. He has also served as a resident engineer and as an engineer in the private sector. Westfall is also a U.S. Navy reservist and pulled a tour of duty in Kuwait in 2005.

Best wishes to all these fine folks as they begin their important duties in their new jobs!



Bob Dungan



Willie Griffith Jr.



Crystal Mapel



Mark Westfall

Calendar of Events

- Wednesday, April 1 — April Fool's Day
- Thursday, April 9 — Passover begins
- Friday, April 10 — Good Friday (1/2-day holiday)
- Sunday, April 12 — Easter
- Wednesday, April 22 — Secretaries' Day
- Tuesday, May 5 — Cinco de Mayo
- Sunday, May 10 — Mother's Day
- Monday, May 25 — Memorial Day
- Sunday, June 14 — Flag Day
- Sunday, June 21 — Father's Day
- Sunday, June 21 — First day of summer



District 10 organizational chart following Fall 2008 reorganization

